



INTERIOR BOARD OF INDIAN APPEALS

Shoshone & Arapahoe Indian Tribes of the Wind River Reservation;
and Conoco, Inc. v. Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations)

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SHOSHONE AND ARAPAHOE INDIAN : Order Approving Settlement and
TRIBES OF THE WIND RIVER : Dismissing Appeals
RESERVATION, :
Appellant :
and :
CONOCO, INC., : Docket Nos. IBIA 84-36-A
Appellant : IBIA 84-38-A
v. :
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY-- :
INDIAN AFFAIRS (OPERATIONS), :
Appellee : March 7, 1985

On June 20, 1984, the Board of Indian Appeals (Board) received a notice of appeal from the Shoshone and Arapahoe Indian Tribes of the Wind River Reservation (tribes) seeking review of an April 23, 1984, decision of the Deputy Assistant Secretary--Indian Affairs (Operations) (appellee) concerning the terms and conditions for the renewal of an oil and gas lease between the tribes and Conoco, Inc. (Conoco). On June 28, 1984, the Board received a notice of appeal from Conoco regarding the same decision. These cases were consolidated in the Board's July 26, 1984, notice of docketing.

On August 24, 1984, the parties sought a stay of proceedings before the Board pending the outcome of settlement negotiations. On January 28, 1985, the Board received a motion from Conoco to dismiss the appeals on the grounds that the parties had reached a settlement. Appellee and the tribes joined in this motion on February 26, 1985, and March 4, 1985, respectively. The settlement is approved.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board of Indian Appeals by the Secretary of the Interior, 43 CFR 4.1, the April 23, 1984, decision of the Deputy Assistant Secretary--Indian Affairs (Operations) in this matter is vacated on the basis of the settlement reached among the parties.

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Bernard V. Parrette
Chief Administrative Judge

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Jerry Muskrat
Administrative Judge

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Anne Poindexter Lewis
Administrative Judge